

Mangalore University

Ph.D. in Applied Zoology

Course work Syllabus

Program Outcome

- PO 1. The PhD in Applied Zoology program is designed to foster human resources with discernment in intellectual advances.
- PO 2. This program nurtures the scholars through furnishing required guidelines and allows them to critically evaluate their study's authenticity.
- PO 3. It is also intended that the scholar should be able to explore corporeal enigmas in science and provide ingenious ideas which results in fruitful publications.

Program Specific Outcomes

- PSO 1. Scholars get adept in various fields of Zoology inquisitions.
- PSO 2. Develop equally dexterous proficiency in research and analysis.
- PSO 3. Innovative methods to study biodiversity and conservation strategies.
- PSO 4. Competent to explore epidemiology of zoonosis and control measures.
- PSO 5. Expertise in propelling the use of animals to promote sustainable research.

Scheme

Courses	Title	Hours of instructions per week	Duration of examination (Hrs)	Internal Assessment	Theory examination	Total	Credits
Course-I	Research Methodology	4	3	30	70	100	4
Course -II	Research and Publication Ethics	2	3	30	70	100	2
Course-III	Review of literature Review Report Viva	14				150	6
						50	2
					Total	400	14

Internal Assessment

Internal Assessment to be based on one theory test (70marks), One objective test (10 marks) and seminar/Assignment (20 marks) in each paper. Total to be reduced to 30

Theory Examination

Pattern of question paper for theory examination of 70marks

Part A= 20 marks. Consisting of 15 questions carrying 2(two) marks each out of which 10(ten) are to be answered. All units of the syllabus to be equally represented.

Part B= 50 marks consisting of five questions to be answered from among 10(ten) questions. Each question carrying 10(ten) marks. All units of the syllabus to be equally represented.

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APPLIED ZOOLOGY

Ph.D. COURSE WORK

COURSE I- RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

Course outcomes:

Students will be able to

- CO 1. Understand basic and advanced biology concepts and techniques to define various research problems.
- CO 2. Learn the principles, operation and applications of different laboratory equipment in various fields of biology. So that candidate gets acquainted with the basics of each instrument.
- CO 3. Get skills of animal cell culture and their applications in zoology.
- CO 4. Gain knowledge of using animals for research, animal handling and animal ethical issues
- CO 5. Expertise on various statistical tools and soft wares to analyse the data obtained.
- CO 6. At the end of this course scholar should be able develop scientific temperament.

Unit I. *Research Planning and Execution*

(12 Hours)

Defining of research problem, objective and its importance,
Source of information, Journals, Books, Biological abstracts, Reviews, Data base, Search engines
INFLIBNET, Pubmed, Science direct, e journals, Bibliography,
Background, preliminary observations; Data collection, recording the data, Methods of analysis, presentation
of the data.
Methods of writing the finding; Components of thesis, Structure of research article, Presentation of research
findings,

Unit II. *Biostatistics and Computers Applications*

(12 Hours)

Statistical variables, Frequency distribution, Graphical representation of the data.
Probability; ANOVA, Student 't' test; Chi Square test, Correlation and regression analysis; Nonparametric test-
Wilcoxon signed rank test, Mann –Whitney U test, Kruskal Wallis test, Computer software statistical packages,
MS EXCEL, SPSS, MINITAB Packages and their uses.
Dun nets post –hoc test.
Biodiversity Monitoring, sampling techniques and relevant software's.

Unit III. *Cell and Molecular Biology Techniques*

(12 Hours)

In vitro animal cell culture systems, Primary and secondary cultures, requirements, methodology and
applications of each culture systems.
Principle, Methods and applications of Cryopreservation, Histological and Histochemical techniques, flow
cytometry
Principle, methods and applications of light and confocal microscopy, electron microscopy
Image analysis, Gel doc system-Methods and applications

Principle methods and application of polymerase chain reaction, DNA sequencing, Blot techniques
Autoradiography, DNA finger printing, FISH, RFLP-Principle, methods and applications.

Unit IV. *Biochemical and Physiology Techniques*

(12 Hours)

Principle, methods and applications of various type of Chromatography; HPLC, GLC, LCMS

Dialysis and precipitation technique; Ultracentrifugation, Electrophoresis, Electro focussing, organelle separation-Principle, Methods and applications.

Principle, methods and applications of Spectrophotometry, tracer Techniques, ELISA, RIA
Immunodiffusion and Immunoprecipitation.

Electrodes, preamplifiers, DC and AC, Faraday cage oscilloscopy, Analog-digital conversion, Anatomical studies; use of antibodies, GFP Gal 4 lines

Unit V. *Breeding and Maintenance of laboratory Animals*

(12 Hours)

Introduction to experimental animals –mouse, rats and guinea pigs, hamsters, rabbits

Breeding and maintenance of small laboratory animals-mouse and rat CPCSEA Guidelines and IAEC –Rules and Regulations for animal breeding and maintenance. Human ethical committee Handling, treatment and collection of biological materials from experimental animal, good laboratory practice, Waste disposal

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COURSE II-RESEARCH AND PUBLICATION ETHICS (RPE)

Course Outcomes:

Students will be able to:

- CO1. Understand the philosophy of science, ethics and research integrity
- CO2. Aware about the publication ethics, intellectual honesty and plagiarism
- CO3. Inculcate best practices and publication ethics .
- CO4. Learn about types of research publications and conflict of interest in publication.
- CO5. Expertise in data bases, concept of impact factor and research metrics.

Theory

Unit I. *Philosophy and Ethics*

Introduction to philosophy: definition, nature and scope ,concept, branches, Ethics: definition, moral philosophy, nature of moral judgment and reactions

(4 Hours)

Unit II. *Scientific Conduct*

Ethics with respect to science and research, Intellectual honesty and research integrity
Scientific misconducts: falsification ,fabrication, and plagiarism(FFP), Redundant publications: duplicate and overlapping publications, salami slicing, selective reporting and misrepresentation of data

(4 Hours)

Unit III. *Publication ethics*

Publication ethics: definition, introduction and importance

Best practices/standards setting initiatives and guidelines: COPE,WAME.etc.

Conflicts of interest

Publication misconduct: definition, concept, problems that lead to unethical behaviour and vice versa types

Violation of publication ethics, authorship and contributorship

Identification of publication misconduct, complaints and appeals

Predatory publishers and journals

(7 Hours)

Practice

Unit IV. *Open access publishing*

Open access publications and initiatives

SHERPA/RoMEO online resource to check publisher copyright & self-archiving policies

Software tool to identify predatory publications developed by SPPU

Journal finder/ journal suggestion tools viz. JANE, Elsevier Journal Finder, Springer Journal

Suggester, etc.

(4 Hours)

Unit V. *Publication misconduct*

A. Group discussions (2hrs.)

Subject specific ethical issues, FFP, authorship

Conflicts of interest

Complaints and appeals: examples and fraud from India and abroad

(4 Hours)

B. Software tools (2 Hours)

Unit IV. *Databases and research metrics*

(7 Hours)

A. Databases (4hrs.)

Indexing databases

Citation databases: Web of Science, Scopus, etc.

B. Research metrics (3hrs.)

Impact factor of journals per journal citation report, SNIP, SJR, IPP, Citescore

Metrics: h-index, g index, i¹⁰ index, altmetrics

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COURSE III - REVIEW OF LITERATURE

Course outcomes:

- CO 1. Course allows aspirants to inculcate habit of referring and accumulating required data from earlier documentations.
- CO 2. Learn how to read and understand primary publications in their respective research fields.
- CO 3. Designing of research plans and understanding of research problems.
- CO4. To know how to draw information and data from research institutes working on relative concepts.
- CO 5. Expertise on compilation and analysis of data, comparing results to connect to selected work.
- CO 6. Learn how to present relevant biology research data to an audience, comparing various results

Guidelines for Course III (Review of literature)

1. The review of literature shall be pertinent to the research problem being taken up by the candidate. Review report should contain a detailed research work done in the area, methodologies to be adopted, gaps in the work done so far, objectives and expected outcome of the stated research work.
2. The title shall be adequate and indicative of the content of the work.
3. The review shall have a summary.

References

Reference should be cited in the text by author and year, not by number. If there are more two author followed by *et al* in the text.

Example:

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